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MINERALS MANAGEMENT SERVICE
Pacific OCS Region
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CITATION

SAFETY AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE CAMARILLO DISTRICT PACIFIC OCS REGION

PLAINS EXPLORATION & PRODUCTION COMPANY PLATFORMS B and C

This award is presented to Plains Exploration & Production Company (PXP) for the excellent manner in which it conducted production operations on Platforms B and C for the period January 1 through December 31, 2004.

During the rating period, Minerals Management Service (MMS) personnel conducted 5 production inspections at each of these facilities with no incidents of noncompliance (INC's) detected. The inspections included a detailed annual inspection of all safety devices on each platform. Results of these inspections demonstrated that PXP had an outstanding record in conducting overall operations in accordance with MMS regulations and the criteria set up for the SAFE program. PXP maintained a high level of preventative maintenance, safety and environmental protection awareness, and excellent housekeeping practices on the cited platforms. Throughout the year, field and management personnel have consistently demonstrated a keen awareness, knowledge, and application of all pertinent regulatory requirements. PXP was cooperative with MMS personnel and provided support when needed.

The Secretary of the Interior and the Director of Minerals Management Service join me in commending PXP for its part in the development of offshore minerals resources while maintaining a constant awareness for the safety of personnel, protection of the environment, and adherence to operating regulations.

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**HELMERICH & PAYNE, INC.
PLATFORM HERITAGE
DRILLING CONTRACTOR
for EXXONMOBIL COMPANY**

This award is presented to Helmerich and Payne, Inc. (H&P) in recognition of its accident-free record and for the professional manner in which it conducted drilling operations on Platform Heritage for the period January 1 through December 31, 2004.

During the rating period, Minerals Management Service (MMS) personnel conducted 13 drilling inspections at the facility with no incidents of noncompliance detected. H&P, in conjunction with ExxonMobil Company, successfully utilized a combination of traditional methods and state-of-the-art extended reach drilling and completion technologies to access oil and gas reserves in the Pescado and Sacate Fields in the Santa Ynez Unit. H&P consistently maintained an outstanding safety and environmental protection record while conducting drilling operations. Throughout the year, H&P personnel have consistently demonstrated a keen awareness, knowledge, and application of pertinent regulatory requirements. Cooperation with MMS personnel was excellent.

The Secretary of the Interior and the Director of Minerals Management Service join me in commending H&P for its part in the development of offshore mineral resources while maintaining a constant awareness for the safety of personnel, protection of the environment, and adherence to operating regulations.

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